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Applicant : Christos J. Petropoulos
Serial No.: 09/886,711
Filed : June 21, 2001
For : PRODUCTION OF INFECTIOUS HEPADNAVIRUS PARTICLES
CONTAINING FOAMY RETROVIRUS ENVELOPE PROTEINS AND
METHODS OF USING THE SAME

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**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 6, 2001 NOTICE TO FILE
MISSING PARTS AND PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Communication is submitted in response to a September 6, 2001 Notice to File Missing Parts issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the September 6, 2001 Notice was due on November 6, 2001. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time from November 6, 2001 to February 6, 2002. The required fee for a three-month extension of time is \$460.00 and a check in this amount is enclosed. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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The Notice, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, indicates that the oath or declaration is unsigned, and requires the submission of a signed oath or declaration. In response, applicant annexes hereto as **Exhibit B** a signed Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f). In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63, the Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date. The required surcharge for the Declaration is \$65.00, and a check for this amount is enclosed.

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application also indicates that the drawings are not in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84. Specifically, the drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margins. In response, applicant annexes hereto as **Exhibit C** three (3) sheets of corrected formal drawings.

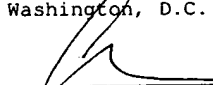
No fee, other than the enclosed \$65.00 surcharge and the enclosed \$460.00 fee for the three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- o **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- o Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*


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